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Dr. Michael Dillon
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Dear Dr. Dillon,

At its December 2023 meeting, the IACBE Board of Commissioners considered the application for new program(s) submitted by the School of Business and Technology at South College. I am pleased to report that the Board of Commissioners approved the application and granted specialized accreditation to the business program(s) as identified below, accompanied by the following note(s) and observation(s):

Business Programs
Doctor of Business Administration
Master of Science in Accounting

Notes

Notes are an indicator that while the program is in compliance with the Principles, additional monitoring is warranted. The School of Business and Technology is required to take action as specified below and respond to the IACBE **no later than February 23, 2024** (unless another due date is indicated within the Note). Responses must be submitted via the online platform available on our website: www.iacbe.org/reports-note-compliance.asp. All documentation must be provided in English.

Principle 2: Quality Assessment and Advancement

1. Provide a revised Outcomes Assessment Plan, including updated rubrics, surveys, and other assessment instruments if applicable. The following items are to be addressed along with any other areas that the school identifies as needing revision. Each Intended Student Learning Outcome (ISLO) must be measured twice, including at least one direct measure of student learning.

- a. Include a Direct Assessment Measure and corresponding performance objective for ISLO #5 in the MSA program that will be used to directly evaluate individual student achievement.
- b. Provide copies of the direct and indirect assessment measures for the MSA program.

Observations

Observations are suggestions for further quality enhancements that the Board of Commissioners believes would be helpful for you in achieving excellence in business education but are not required for compliance with the IACBE's Accreditation Principles. Action on observations is optional, and reporting is not required.

No observations were made by the Board of Commissioners.

The aforementioned program(s) are now included in the current period of accreditation and will be added to the school's list of IACBE-accredited programs within 30 days of the Board of Commissioners decision.

The Current Period of Accreditation is: December 14, 2019 – December 31, 2026

Accreditation represents a continuing relationship between an institution and its accrediting organization. Specialized program accreditation by the IACBE is dependent upon (i) your institution remaining in good standing with your institutional accrediting body and (ii) the School of Business and Technology maintaining responsibility for offering and operating newly approved degree programs in compliance with all IACBE Principles and reporting requirements.

We encourage all business faculty in the School of Business and Technology to be actively involved in the IACBE's professional development programs and activities, including participation in the IACBE's Annual Conference and Assembly Meetings, regional conferences, and workshops, and serving as site-visit team peer reviewers.

If you have any questions or if we can be of assistance, please feel free to contact your liaison Laurie Yates at lyates@iacbe.org or 913-631-3009.

Sincerely,



Sharon Beaudry, Chair
Board of Commissioners

c: Dr. Theodor Richardson, Chief Academic Officer